

PATENT

DK-US045259

## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of :  
Hitoshi HORIUCHI et al. :  
Serial No.: New – (National phase of :  
PCT/JP03/06907) :  
Filed: Herewith :  
For: PUMP UNIT :

**PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT**

Assistant Commissioner of Patents  
Washington, DC 20231

Sir:

Prior to examination of the above-identified application, please amend the subject application as follows.

**Amendments to the Specification** begin on page 2 of this paper.

**Amendments to the Abstract** begin on page 3 of this paper.

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the Listing of Claims, which begins on page 4 of this paper. Claims 1-6 are pending, with claim 1 being the only independent claims.

**Amendments to the Drawings** begin on page 6 of this paper and include two (2) attached replacement sheets.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 7 of this paper.